SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tentative Agenda

Meeting No. 7

DATE: Thursday, March 2, 2006

TIME: 11:30 AM

PLACE: Room 149 Annex

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Bills for Consideration

SB 197 AN ACT relating to school facilities.

(BR 1860) Senator Jack Westwood

Amend KRS 160.048 to require that a district that acquires property for, constructs, or operates a school facility located outside of the boundaries of the district in a manner that is not in compliance with statutory requirements provide annual compensation to the district in which the school facility is located; establish the manner of determining the annual compensation.

SB 205 AN ACT relating to the School Facilities Construction

(BR 2335) Commission.

Senator Jack Westwood

Amend KRS 157.622 to permit offers of assistance to local school districts for building school facilities to be escrowed up to 8 years.

SB 206 AN ACT relating to the Office of Education Accountability.

(BR 2336) Senator Jack Westwood

Amend KRS 7.410 to require that, on or before December 1 of each year, that the Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee adopt an annual research agenda for the Office of Education Accountability; the agenda shall be amended to include studies directed by the General Assembly in the next succeeding session; direct the Office of Education Accountability annual report to include a status and results of the current year's annual research agenda, a summary of completed investigative activity conducted, and other items of significance as determined by the Education Assessment and Accountability Review Subcommittee; make changes to conform.

HB 138/GA AN ACT relating to school attendance.

(BR 243) Representatives Don Pasley, Harry Moberly Jr., and Mike Weaver

Amend KRS 159.150 establish that the attendance record of a student is cumulative during a school year; require that when a student transfers to a new school, his or her attendance records from the previous school shall be used in the determination of the student's status as a truant; remove being tardy without valid excuse three or more times from the definition of truant; define a student who is habitually tardy as a truant; allow a local board of education to adopt a policy that defines tardiness and habitual tardiness and establish interventions for each when they are without a valid excuse; amend KRS 159.170 to require a school district to notify and provide student information to the Kentucky Department of Education when a student withdraws from or enrolls in a school in its district; and require the Kentucky Department of Education to forward information including attendance records to a school district receiving a transfer student.

3. Presentation: "Schools Interoperability"
Mr. Larry Fruth, Executive Director
Schools Interoperability Framework Association, Washington, D.C.

4. Other Business

5. Adjournment.

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